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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 12, 2003, for which a response is due on December 12, 2003, Applicants elect the species of Figure 1 for further prosecution in the above-referenced patent application. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-9, 13, 15, 18, and 22-23 read on the elected species.

DISCLOSURE OF RELATED PATENT APPLICATION

As discussed with the Examiner in a telephone conference on November 20, 2003, Applicants desire to bring to the Examiner's attention co-pending

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application Serial No. 09/819,072, entitled, "DEVICE FOR CONVEYING ELASTOMERIC MEDIA, USE OF THE DEVICE, AS WELL AS TWO OPERATING METHODS", with common inventors to the above-referenced patent application. The "072 application is currently being examined by Examiner Joseph S. Leyson in Art Unit 1722.

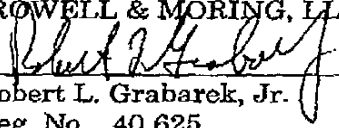
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should the Examiner have any questions concerning this Paper. Applicants do not believe that any fees are required in connection with this Paper, however, the Office is authorized to charge any fees required to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket 080334.49678CO).

Respectfully submitted,

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